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HEAVY MACHINERY PLANTS EXCEED PRODUCTION NORMS

LIFTS PRODUCTION ABOVE QUOTA -- Vechernyaya Moskva, No 67, 20 Mar 50

The leading shop of the Moscow Krasnyy Blok Plant, one of the top plants of the USSR, put out 35 above-plan gear hoists by 12 March. A conveyer was recently installed in this shop, and fitters are assembling units 22 times faster than called for in the plan.

This year the plant has turned to the production of hoists and jacks for bridge cranes.

Vechernyaya Moskva, No 96, 22 Apr 50

Keeping its pre-May Day pledge, the Krasnyy Blok Plant has produced 750 above-plan hoisting mechanisms.

The plant has successfully met the order given it at the start of the year to produce 120 overhead hoists for 5-ton electric cranes. These were new items in the plant's production. An order is now being fulfilled for overhead hoists to be used on 10-ton electric cranes.

In the campaign to save metal, scrap is now being used instead of rolled sheet metal in the manufacture of links for worm hoists, vertical strips, and other parts.

NEW METHOD CUTS COSTS -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 66, 17 Mar 50

The foundry of the Leningrad Hoist- and Transport-Equipment Plant completed its February quota 22 days ahead of time. A new method was evolved for production of 50-ton hooks, which has improved their quality and cut the expense of manufacture to one-twelfth its former cost.

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Pravda, No 79, 20 Mar 50

Productivity of labor in the plant rose 19 percent and cost of production was reduced 13.2 percent by 12 March.

MAKES TURBINES, FARM MACHINE PARTS -- Izvestiya, No 66, 17 Mar 50

During the current Five-Year Plan, the Bobruysk Machine-Building Plant imeni Stalin has been increasing its rate of production of hydroturbines for kolkhoz electric power stations, brick-making units, agricultural machine parts, sawyers' frames, and foundry equipment. In 4 years, 5.5 million rubles' worth of raw materials, electric power, and heat were saved. By 12 March over 90 percent of the workers were exceeding their norms.

BEATS PLAN, CUTS COSTS -- Krasnaya Zvezda, No 84, 8 Apr 50

The Dneprodzerzhinsk Welded-Boiler Plant has completed its Five-Year Plan. The management has cut production costs 19.8 percent, against the planned 19.6 percent. Labor productivity has risen 5 percent.

This year, the plant has launched production of better reservoirs for forest-conservation stations and MTS.

TO BEGIN SERIES PRODUCTION OF HEAVY LOCOMOBILES -- Pravda, No 45, 14 Feb 50

The Syzran' Locomobile Plant, Kuybyshev Oblast, produced several aboveplan locomobiles for agricultural enterprises during January. In 1949, the plant started production of heavy-duty locomobiles for industrial purposes, and will start series production of this type on 12 March.

FOUNDERS BEAT PLAN -- Pravda Ukrainy, No 81, 5 Apr 50

The Staro-Kramatorsk Plant imeni Ordzhonikidze has completed the Five-Year Plan for production of pig iron, steel, and nonferrous metal castings.

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